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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:	Sturm et al.	Examiner:	Fristoe, John
Serial No.:	10/074,486	Group Art Unit:	3754
Filed:	February 12, 2002	Docket No.:	13871.1-US-01
Title:	FLUID DISPENSING AND STORAGE SYSTEM WITH A DRINK VALVE		

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Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 23, 2003, Applicants provide the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.

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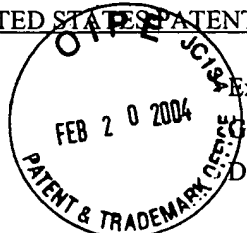
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- ☒ Transmittal Sheet in duplicate containing Certificate of Mailing
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 The fee has been calculated as shown below in the "Claims as Amended" table
- ☒ Request for Extension of Time for 2 month(s) and fee of \$420.00
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CLAIMS AS AMENDED

Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid For		Present Extra		Rate		Fee
Total Claims								
6	-	20	=	0	x	18.00	=	\$0.00
Independent Claims								
4	-	3	=	1	x	86.00	=	\$86.00
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM FEE								\$0.00
TOTAL FILING FEE								86.00

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